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Belhaven, N. C.
(Rev. W. L. O. BOOMER, Pastor)

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PROCEEDINGS.

BELHAVEN, N. C., October 21st, 1915.

In compliance with the Constitution, Rules and Regulations, which govern the Hyde County Eastern Missionary Baptist Association of North Carolina, we are thankful to Him who doeth all things well, that He has blessed us to meet in the fourth annual session with St. Reddick Baptist church, in the city of Belhaven, N. C., October 21, 22, 23 and 24, at 10 o'clock a. m., Rev. W. L. O. Boomer, Pastor.

OFFICERS PRESENT.

Rev. S. Barrow, President.
Rev. W. L. O. Boomer, Vice-President.
Bro. James Mackey, Secretary.
Bro. P. A. Eason, Assistant Secretary.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. R. Howard and Rev. Samuel Adams, by singing the first hymn on No. 273, "Amazing Grace", then reading a portion of the 8th chapter of Romans. Words: And therefore, no condemnations, etc. Then a petition of prayer was offered by Bro. R. Howard. Second hymn No. 282, "A charge to keep," etc., led by the President, who after making a few remarks declared the Association open for the transaction of business.

By order of the President the Ministers and Delegates enroll their names. The same was done.

Motion prevailed that the Introductory sermon be deferred until the night session.

Rev. W. H. A. Stallings being in our midst was given a seat of welcome, and upon being invited he came before us and made a very commendable talk. And Rev. Dr. G. D. Griffin, one of the most noted pastors of the Christian families, made a very hospitable address and was highly congratulated by the body in general. A vote of thanks was tendered the speakers for their deliberations.

After which a public collection was lifted to the amount of $2.00. Received from ministers and delegates the amount of $14.00, thus making a total of $16.00.

The Association then took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m.

Benediction by Rev. Dr. G. D. Griffin, Moderator of the Roanoke Association.

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FIRST DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association reconvened at 2 o'clock p. m., with the President, Rev. S. Barrow, presiding. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. H. Houston and Rev. Z. Barrow singing from page No. 465, "I heard the voice," etc. Then reading a portion of the 4th chapter of St. Luke. Words: And Jesus being full of the holy ghost, etc. A soul-stirring prayer was offered by Rev. R. B. H. Covil. "I have made a covenant with my Lord," etc., led by Rev. J. H. Houston, and after some few remarks by the President the Association was declared open for the transaction of business.

Motion prevailed that we hear the roll of ministers and delegates called and the reading of the minutes of the forenoon session. Same were approved and adopted after some discussion by various brethren. It prevailed that the discussions of the President shall be sustained the same being in co-operation with the laws of this Association.

Motion prevailed that Rev. S. M. Spencer shall have a letter of dismission from this Association. The same was granted.

After some peaceful discussions by the delegation in general, a collection was taken to the amount of $4.25. Money received from Church Letters amounted to $21.90, making a total of $26.15.

Then the Association took a recess until 7:30 p. m.

Benediction by Rev. W. B. Sanderson.

FIRST DAY—Night Session.

Praise service was conducted by Rev. J. H. Houston and Bro. Amos Weston. First hymn on No. 20, "I heard the voice," etc., led by Rev. J. H. Houston. "Oh, for a faith," etc., led by Bro. Amos Weston. Third hymn, "I was a wandering sheep," etc., sang in the old time spiritual tone. The Throne of Grace was approached by Bro. Amos Weston, the same being spiritually strong. "My soul be on thy guard," led by Rev. J. H. Houston. A soul stirring prayer by Brother Eddie Covil. "Don't let nobody turn you around," led by Rev. Jessie Spencer, then a soul stirring prayer by Caho Farrow. "He that believeth on the Father and the Son have an everlasting life", led by Bro. Amos Weston. Then a soul-stirring prayer by Bro. Frank Hargrow. The next in order was the introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. Miles

Bough. "I was a wandering sheep," etc., was sung with deep spiritual feeling. Then the reading of a portion of the 5th chapter of St. Matthew. Words: He came unto his disciples, etc. Then a soul stirring prayer by Rev. Luther Gibbs. "Am I a soldier of the cross?" etc., led by Rev. J. W. Mason. After which Rev. Bough was introduced to preach the Introduction sermon. He ascended the rostrum and took for his text the 5th chapter of St. Matthew, 13th verse. Words: Ye are the salt of the earth., etc., and the subject was one fit for the occasion, loudly explained and powerfully delivered. Then a soul-stirring prayer by Rev. R. I. Johnson. "I am a stranger here," etc., led by the President.

Then a public collection was lifted by Mrs. Jacocks and Miss Emily Boomer to the amount of $10.52.

After which Rev. R. I. Johnson, upon being invited, came before us with greetings of welcome to the town. His speech was powerfully strong and delightful. Rev. A. Burse made a very commendable talk that was enjoyed by all. Homes were sought for strangers by the pastor.

Then the Association took a recess. Benediction by Rev. R. I. Johnson.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

The Association reconvened at 9:00 with President Rev. S. Barrow presiding. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. George T. Simpson and Rev. W. B. Sanderson by lining 1st hymn on page No. 6: "Oh for a heart," etc. Then a portion of the 25th chapter of the Proverbs of Solomon was read. Words: These are also proverbs of Solomon, etc. Then a soul stirring prayer by Rev. J. W. Mason. Second hymn on page 365, "What shall I render to my God," etc., was sung with deep spiritual feelings and after a few remarks by the President the Association was declared open for the transaction of business.

Motion prevailed that the roll of ministers and delegates be called and the minutes of the 1st day night session be read. Same were approved and adopted.

By order of the President all Church Letters shall be presented to the Secretary's desk and placed in the hands of the Finance committee. Same was done.

Next in order was the Temperance sermon to be delivered by Rev. Luther Gibbs. Then hymn on page No. 325, "Bless be the tie that binds," etc., was sung and Rev. Gibbs mounted

the rostrum and chose for his text the 2nd chapter of the book of Titus, 1st verse. Words: Speak those things that will become sound doctrine. The sermon was one fit for the occasion, powerfully delivered and plainly explained. After which the President sang, "Just beyond the border land," which was sung with deep and lasting spiritual sentiments.

Then a public collection was lifted amounting to $2.10, and received from ministers and delegates $8.50, making a total of $10.60.

Rev. G. D. Griffin and Rev. W. H. A. Stallings said many good things commending the Temperance sermon.

After which the Association took recess until 2 p. m.

Benediction by the President.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association reconvened at 2 p. m with President Rev. S. Barrow presiding.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. Wm. Covil and Rev. Luther Gibbs, by lining 1st hymn on No. 285, "Am I a soldier of the Cross," etc., which was sung with deep spiritual feelings. He then read a portion of the 1st chapter of St. James. Words: James a servant of God, etc. 2nd hymn, "Nearer my God to thee," etc.

After some few remarks by the President the Association was opened for the transaction of business.

Motion that the roll of delegates and ministers be called. The same was done and the absentees checked.

Motion to hear the minutes of the second day forenoon session read. The same were approved and adopted.

Motion prevailed that the history of past transactions of this Association from its first organization on the 28th day of October, 1911, to 1915 be presented at this session by Bro. E. Gray.

Motion prevailed that Bro. E. Gray shall be the Corresponding delegate to the N. E. M. B. Association.

Motion prevailed that Rev. S. Barrow shall be the corresponding delegate to the Roanoke Association..

Motion prevailed that Rev. W. L. O. Boomer shall be the corresponding delegate to the Old Eastern Association.

Motion prevailed that Rev. W. T. Ross be the corresponding delegate to the Neuse River Association.

Motion prevailed that Rev. J. H. Houston be the corresponding delegate to the Bear Creek Association.

A letter from St. Reddick Baptist Church of the Home Mission Sisters send greetings with $1.00 for educational purposes.

Rev. Dr. R. I. Johnson came forward and spoke commending words of encouragement representing our work. Responded to by Rev. E. J. Mackey.

Rev. J. W. Mason arose and introduced the President to make his annual address. The same was very logically and powerfully delivered. After which, "Just beyond the Border land," was sung with deep spiritual feelings. The welcome address was deferred until to-night's session.

After which a collection was taken by Rev. Armstrong and Rev. E. J. Mackey to the amount of $1.70. Received from Ministers and Delegates $5.50, making a total of $7.20.

The following committees were then appointed:

Committee on Education.

Committee on Place of meeting.

Commtitee on Revising the Constitution.

Then the Association took recess until 7 p. m.

Benediction by the President.

SECOND DAY—Night Session.

Praise service was conducted by Bros. A. M. Weston, R. B. H. Covil and others for 30 minutes. Several soul-stirring prayers prevailed throughout this meeting and oh how the fire was kindled in our souls, and in the meantime the Association was called to order by the President, and declared the house open and ready for the transaction of business. The President then announced that the welcome address would now be delivered by the pastor, Rev. W. L. O. Boomer, and of which he made us welcome to all things that would add to our happiness during our stay in this town. And after the same the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Denice Credle and Rev. Jessie Spencer, by lining 1st hymn No. 560, "And must I be to judgment brought." The same was sung with deep spiritual feelings. Then a portion of the 14th chapter of St. John was read. Words: Let not your heart be troubled, etc. And a soul stirring prayer was offered by Bro. Charlie Spencer. After which the President arose singing, "Where shall I be when the first trumpet sounds?" At this time we had a copious shower of the Holy Spirit which descended upon us, and oh, how our hearts did leap for joy.

Then the President announced that the Missionary sermon

was now in order and the same to be delivered by Rev. Z. Barrow. Then Rev. Barrow ascended the stand and chose for his text the 16th chapter of St. Mark, 15th verse. Words: Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel, etc. His sermon was one fit for the occasion, powerfully delivered and plainly explained. After which the President arose singing, "I am here on business for my King." The same was sung with deep and lasting spiritual feelings.

Then a public collection was taken by Rev. W. L. O. Boomer, the Vice President and Sister Matilda Collins, of Elizabeth City, N. C., a welcome visitor to the amount of $9.39. After which Sister Matilda Daniel came before this Association soliciting aid for three little orphan children and she received $7.50 of which Bro. Luther Franklin gave $1.00.

Rev. Dr. H. H. Normon, of Snow Hill Baptist church came forward and very highly congratulated this Association for its hospitality and charitable acts, etc.

Then the Association took recess until 9:30 a. m.

Benediction by Dr. H. H. Normon.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

The Association reconvened at 9:30 a. m., with President S. Barrow presiding. Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. R. Howard and Rev. W. B. Sanderson by lining 1st hymn No. 402, "Father, I stretch my hands to thee," etc. Then reading a portion of the 23rd Division of Psalms of David. Words: The Lord is my Shepherd. And a soul-reviving prayer by Rev. R. Selby. 2nd hymn No. 23: "Grace 'tis a charming sound," etc. The same was sung with deep, spiritual feelings, and after some few loving remarks by the President the Association was declared open for the transaction of business.

Motion prevailed to hear the roll of ministers and delegates called. The same was done and absentees checked.

Motion prevailed to hear the minutes of the previous session read, the same was done and they were approved and adopted.

Motion prevailed that the President's address shall go down in the printed minutes.

Motion prevailed to hear the report of the traveling missionary in the person of Bro. E. H. Green, of which he reported $13.45, and by a motion of the Association Bro. Green was compensated $3.45 for his Missionary services rendered during the Associational year.

Motion prevailed that the letter of dismission given to Rev. S. M. Green shall be recovered back to this Association. The same was done. After which a public collection was taken to the amount of $1.65.

Then the Association took recess until 2 p. m.

Benediction by the President.

Name of officers are as follows: Rev. S. Barrow, President; Rev. W. L. O. Boomer, Vice-President; Bro. James Mackey, Secretary; Bro. P. A. Eason, Assistant Secretary; Bro. S. L. Gray, Institute Treasurer; Bro. E. Gray, Associational Treasurer.

THIRD DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association re-assembled at 2 p. m. with President S. Barrow presiding. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Z. Barrow and Rev. W. T. Ross, by lining 1st hymn No. 528, "Bless be the tie," etc. Then reading a portion of the 5th chapter of Revelation. Words: I looked and I saw on the right hand, &c. Then a soul-stirring prayer by Bro. Caho Farrow. 2nd hymn No. 560, "When I can read," etc.

And after some few remarks by the President the Association was declared open and ready for the transaction of business.

Motion prevailed to hear the roll of ministers and delegates called. The same was done, and absentees checked.

Motion prevailed to hear the proceedings of the Third Day morning session read. The same was done and they were approved and adopted.

Motion prevailed to hear the report of the Treasurer through the Executive Board. They reported there were $18.50 brought over from last year's disbursements.

Motion prevailed to hear the report of the committee on place of meeting.

Motion prevailed to hear the report of the committee on resolutions. (See report.)

Motion prevailed that all officers shall be elected by acclamation. The same was done.

Motion prevailed that Bro. J. H. Gray shall be the Auditor for this Association and that he shall meet the Executive Board in September, and get his reports in O. K. order for representation.

Then the Association took recess until 7 p. m.

Benediction by Rev. Z. Barrow.

THIRD DAY—Night Session.

Praise services were conducted by Rev. John Gibbs and Sister Matilda Collins for 60 minutes, of which was full of that holy fire.

The next in order was the Doctrinal sermon, which was to be delivered by Rev. S. M. Spencer.

The opening services were rendered by reading a portion of the 13th chapter of St. Matthew. Words: The same day when Jesus, etc., by Rev. Z. Barrow. A soul-stirring prayer by Bro. John Gibbs. "Am I a Soldier," etc., was sung with deep spiritual feelings by the President, after which Rev. Spencer was introduced. He then arose in his usual manner and took for a text the 3rd chapter of St. John from which he entertained his hearers for 25 minutes. After which the President arose singing, "Do you want to go there," and at that time our souls took a flight heavenward.

Then a public collection was lifted by Rev. W. H. A. Stallings, and Rev. J. W. Grimes, to the amount of $16.80. After which Rev. Stallings made a very highly recommended talk. Oh! how he soared out upon the air as a silver tongued orator of the day. Then Rev. J. W. Grimes made a strong and able speech which was enjoyed by all, and we were made welcome to the town on his behalf.

Then the Association took recess until 9 a. m.

Benediction by Dr. Stallings.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Sunday School at 9 a. m. Lesson 2nd Kings 6-8:23, October 24. The lesson was beautifully catechised by Rev. J. H. Houston. Subject: Elisha Heavenly defender. The Golden text: The Angel of Jehovah.

Collection taken amounted to $1.40.

Dismissed by the President.

After which the hour arrived for the beginning of the 4th day's session, with Vice-President W. L. O. Boomer presiding.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Revs. J. H. Houston and John Gibbs by lining 1st hymn No. 114, then reading a portion of 119th Psalm. Words: Blessed are the undefiled in the way, etc. And a soul-stirring prayer by Bro. Willie Green. 2nd hymn No. 52, "At the Cross," by the Vice-President.

After which the President was introduced to preach the Educational sermon. Then he arose singing, "Where shall I be when the first trumpet sounds?" and it was sung with a deep and lasting spiritual sentiment. Then he chose for a text the 2nd chapter of St. Luke, 52nd verse. Words: And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature. The sermon was one fit for the occasion, full of logic, loudly spoken and powerfully delivered.

After which a collection was taken by the honored and respected F. C. Hester and the most noted and beloved Rev. E. J. Mackey to the amount of $4.14.

The Association then adjourned to meet with Job's Chapel Baptist Church at Swan Quarter, N. C., on Thursday before the fourth Lord's day in October, 1916.

Thus ends the proceedings of the fourth annual session.

Rev. S. Barrow, *President.*

James Mackey, *Secretary.*

MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Members of the Executive Board are as follows:
Rev. Z. Barrow, Chairman; Rev. J. W. Mason, Secretary; Rev. Miles Bougs, Rev. Luther Gibbs, Rev. W. T. Ross, Rev. W. C. Jennett, Rev. R. Selby, Rev. George T. Simpson, Rev. J. H. Houston.

ROLL OF ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO PAID $1.00 EACH.

Rev. S. Barrow, Rev. W. L. O. Boomer, Rev. Samuel Adams, Rev. W. B. Saunderson, Rev. J. W. Mason, Rev. J. H. Houston, Rev. Luther Gibbs, Rev. Z. Barrow, Rev. Miles Bougs, Rev. Jessie Spencer, Rev. Dinse Credle, Rev. S. M. Spencer, Rev. R. Selby, Rev. W. C. Jennett, Rev. George T. Simpson, Rev. J. R. Murray, Rev. W. T. Ross, Rev. W. J. Gibbs, Rev. H. H. Norman, Rev. Benj. Burross, Rev. Moran Alexander, Rev. Jones Spencer, Rev. George W. Jennett, Rev. S. L. Mann.

ROLL OF LICENTIATES WHO PAID 75cts. EACH.

Bro. William E. Covil, Bro. J. C. Jones, Bro. Z. Fort'scue, Bro. Buck King, Bro. A. M. Weston, Bro. R. Howard, Bro. C. Clark, Bro. Joseph Eason, Bro. R. B. H. Covil, Bro. Wash. Johnson, Bro. E. Gray, Bro. R. Weston, Bro. S. J. Jones, Bro. Claud Satchel, Bro. George Campbell, Bro. S. T. Howard, Bro. J. W. Gibbs, Bro. L. D. Dunbar, Bro. W. E. Green. Bro. Seth Simmons, Bro. J. B. Green, Bro. Caho Farrow, Bro. J. H. Gray, Bro. S. S. Spencer, Bro. G. V. Gibbs, Bro. James Boyde, Bro. T. S. Spencer, Bro. William Collins, Bro. John Gibbs, Bro. Charley Spencer, Rev. Samuel Adams, Bro. William Jarv'is.

COMMITTEE ON HOURS.

Committee on Hours are as follows: Bro. Claud Satchel, Bro. R. B. H. Covil, Bro. R. Weston, Bro. Caho Farrow.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Bro. L. D. Dunbar, Bro. S. S. Spencer, Bro. J. H. Gray, Bro. Amos Weston, Bro. R. B. H. Covil, Bro. E. Gray, Manager, Bro. S. T. Howard, Bro. T. S. Spencer, Bro. Joseph Eason, Bro. Seth Jones.

COMMITTEE ON REVISING THE CONSTITUTION.

Rev. George T. Simpson, Bro. Joseph Eason, Bro. R. Howard, Bro. James Gibbs, Bro. C. Clark, Rev. J. H. Houston.

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Rev. Miles Bougs, Rev. J. R. Murray, Rev. J. H. Houston, Bro. L. D. Dunbar.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Rev. Jesse Spencer, Rev. Dinse Credle, Rev. J. H. Houston, Bro. George Campbell, Bro. Buck King, Bro. E. Gray.

COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

Bro. George Campbel, Bro. R. B. H. Covil, Bro. C. Clark, Bro. Caho Fasrow, Bro. S. T. Howard, Bro. William Collins, Bro. Seth Simmons. Bro. S. J. Jones, Bro. John Gibbs, Bro. T. S. Spencer, Bro. Willie Green.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Executive Committee, beg leave to make the following report: That after a careful and impartial examination of the Association Treasurer, of all orders, books and receipts in his possession, we find the amount of $86.27 from last session of 1914, and the disbursements to the amount of $67.77, leaving a balance of $18.50, and we further recommend that the following ministers to preach the special sermons at the next sitting, as follows: Rev. J. H. Houston, Introduction; Rev. George T. Simpson, Temperance; Rev. R. Selby, Missionary; Rev. J. H. Mason, Doctrinal; Rev. W. T. Ross, Educational.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, your Committee on Time and Place, beg leave to make the following report: That the next sitting of the Hyde County Eastern Missionary Baptist Association will convene with Job's Chapel at Swan Quarter, N. C., on Thursday before the 4th Lord's day in October, 1916, at 10 a. m.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE CAMPBELL, Chairman.

S. J. JONES, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg to make the following report: That all members and officers of this Association desiring a voice, shall 1st be qualified, and upon the proper recognition given to the Chair, he shall be granted privilege to speak, but not longer than five minutes at a time, nor more than the 2nd time on the same subject.

Respectfully submitted,
E. GRAY, Chairman.

REV. J. H. HOUSTON, Secretary.

REPORT OF CHILDREN'S BAND OF BELHAVEN.

We, the United Band of Children of the City of Belhaven, N. C., was legally organized and set apart on the 4th Lord's day in December 1913. We represent to this Association with $2.00.

Respectfully submitted,
AMOS WESTON, President.
WILLIAM COVIL, Manager.
MISS MANNIA SIMPSON, Secretary.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Be it hereby Resolved, That each pastor shall preach one Temperance sermon annually in each of his churches during this Associational year.

Submitted by
BRO. E. GRAY, Chairman.
REV. J. H. HOUSTON, Secretary.

A LETTER OF GREETINGS.

Bryant's Chapel, at Swan Quarter, N. C., sends greetings and $1.00 for the Educational advancement of the Negro race.

Respectfully submitted,
MISS HATTIE E. DONNEL, Secretary.

PETITION FROM PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH.

Lake Landing, N. C.

We, the members of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, humbly petitions this Association for admission to your honorable body.

REV. S. BARROW, Pastor.
JIMMIE GIBBS, Deacon.
R. D. BOOTON, Secretary.

A LETTER OF GREETINGS.

Edwards, N. C., September 26, 1915.

To the Brethren of the Swan Quarter Institute:

We, your Sisters of the Woman's Association send greetings and $4.00 for Educational purposes. We ask your prayers that we may do more for the Master.

SISTER CLOSSIA CREDLE, President.
SISTER ALICE HOWARD, Delegate.
SISTER F. A. CARMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Whereas, we think in our humble judgment, that religion is the only remedy that obliterates ignorance which is the most of prejudice which debars our race from prosperity, which is a bounteous blessing sent from God, therefore the Hyde County Eastern Missionary Baptist Association stands for higher culture among our Race and we ask our people to pay more money to aid this great cause ,that we may have a Seminary where our Preachers may attend and study theology, of which there is so much need.

Be it Resolved, That this Association do all it can for the Swan Quarter Institute.

Respectfully,
E. GRAY, Chairman.
REV. W. B. SANDERSON, Secretary.

CONSTITUTION OF THE HYDE COUNTY EASTERN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article 1. This Association shall be denominated and known as the Hyde County Eastern Missionary Baptist Association. Officers to be elected on the last day of the session.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, Ministerial Education and the uplift of our young people in general; and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of ministers and delegates chosen by the Churches connected with it, each Church being entitled to two delegates. The Elders shall pay $1.00; Licentiates 75 cents, and Delegates, Deacons, Trustees and Secretary of churches 25 cents annually, when their names are enrolled, the money to be used for the benefit of the Institute only, and that any delegates or ministers being absent when the roll is called they shall pay a fine of 10 cents, without a lawful excuse. There shall be nine Trustees appointed with the Moderator who shall make their annual report of the financial condition of the Institute. Each Sabbath school will send a collection to the Association for the Institution.

Art. 4. The Delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment, and communicating information relative to the state of the church. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter stating the condition of the church, also number of members that have been excommunicated, number that have been received by letter, number that have been baptized, number deceased, number dismissed by letter, number of male and number of female members, total number of membership, and amount sent to the Association. The Pastor shall see that 10 cents is collected from each member and sent to the Association, for the benefit of the Institute only.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a President and Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Station History, Treasurer and Auditor, Executive Board, Trustee Board and Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen from among its members by ballot or acclamation, a majority of the members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected. All officers of this Association shall be responsible to this Association for their conduct and shall report annually to this body. The duty of all of the officers of the Association shall be prescribed by the Association in its constitution.

Art. 6. It shall be the duty of the President to enforce an observance of the constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on any question under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie. He shall be ex-officio chairman of all the boards. The duty of the President shall be performed by the Vice-President in the absence of the President. The Vice-President shall assist the President in presiding.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to record the proceedings of each annual session, and to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes, to receive and take account of all monies sent up by the churches at the Association, turning over the same to the Treasurer. All monies received by the Secretary shall be turned over to the Treasurer of that fund for which it is designated. He shall report to the Association at its annual session the business he transacted in the absence of the body.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent by the churches or collected during the session of this body, and disburse the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also

make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the Treasury, and he shall give a bond of security of the same.

Art. 9. This Association shall appoint an Executive Committee consisting of not less than 7 or more than 9 members; which committee shall have the superintendence of Association missions and colportage. They shall have power to disburse all sums paid by the Treasurer of the Association for the objects under their charge and during intervals between the meeting of this body to receive and disburse funds for those objects and to take such steps for their advancement as they shall deem advisable, and shall make an annual report to the Association of their doings. They shall have power to take up all grievances of the churches and pastors comprising this Association, and call them to trial, and give them a fair and scriptural trial, and if they fail to hear the advice of the Executive Committee then they shall pass their judgment upon them or they may withdraw right hand of fellowship from them and refer their charge to the Association. The expense of the Executive Committee in taking up grievances of the churches and pastor shall be paid by the parties concerned as far as possible and shall not be borne by the Association General Funds, unless in the opinion of the body, the matter was of general interest to the Association.

Art. 10. This Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of her churches which neglect to preserve Gospel order, and if any church patronize with the said churches that are out of Gospel order this Association shall call them to trial, and if they fail to hear to the Association this Association shall deal with them according to the 18th chapter of St. Matthew.

Art. 11. This Association may invite visitors and corresponding brethren to seats, and extend to them all the privileges of the Association except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Thursday before the 4th Lord's day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of this Association there shall be an Introductory sermon, a Temperance sermon, and an Educational sermon. The Introductory sermon shall be preached the first day at 10 o'clock a. m., before organizing.

Art. 14. This Association shall not fellowship any church or pastor that shall receive lawfully excommunicated members from any church of the same faith and order, and the pastor of said church that compose this Association shall give a letter of dismission to any members of their church or churches, to unite with any other church of the same faith and order.

Art. 15. This Association shall endorse three modes of dismission. 1st. By Letter. A member may receive a letter of commendation or dismission from the church of which he or she is a member, and with the same unite with any other church of the same faith and order, and when so united he or she is no longer a member of the former church. 2nd, by exclusion. When the church in the exercise of its lawful discipline withdraws the hand of fellowship from any one of its members, he or she is thenceforth no longer a member, and no church or pastor of this Association shall receive them. 3rd, By death. The death of a member of course dissolves their connection here on earth.

Art.16. This Association recommends to her churches that the churches that this Association is composed of shall not from this date henceforth elect or ordain any brother to deaconship that cannot read the Scriptures distinctly. No church and pastor shall license or ordain any brother for the ministry of the Gospel except he read the Scriptures distinctly.

Art. 17. The Executive Committee shall have no power whatever of the Trustee Board and shall not in any way interfere with it in the discharge of its duty, nor any other general officer of the Association.

Art. 18. Any church or churches who have been granted a letter or letters or petition, to join another or organize another Association, and when that has been done such a church or churches are entirely out from under the jurisdiction or watch care of this Association, and before they can have any voice in this Association again they must bring a petition or letters of recommendation from the Association they joined to this Association to join as though they had never been members of this Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. On the meeting of the Association the President of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is made known. In case of his absence the Vice-President fills the seat.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
3. At each daily session the proceedings of the business session shall be read, and the names of the delegates shall be called; and no person speaking shall be interrupted until he is done speaking, unless he is out of order.
4. The members shall observe towards the officers and each other that courtesy that becomes Christians, and the person speaking shall in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before him, but shall express his idea.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the President. He shall confine himself strictly to the subject under debate and avoid all personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission from the President.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the President before discussion, and no brother shall be at liberty to whisper during the time another brother is speaking.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after its discusssion. The President shall not interrupt any member or prohibit his speaking until he gives his idea on the subject, unless he violates the rules of the Association.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend or postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion is decided, any member having voted in the majority, may move for a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the President, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission from the Association. If anyone shall do so, their absence shall be noticed in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. This Association shall have the right to decide what subject shall be admitted to its consideration.
14. These Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority of votes.

RULES OF DECORUM FOR THE CHURCHES.

1. We will hold four council meetings in the year for the transaction of business; also special meetings whenever requisite.

2. The names of members shall be called at every regular meeting, and there shall be due notice taken of the absence of those who evince a disposition to absent themselves.

3. At every council, the Pastor, in his right of office shall preside as Moderator, and in case of his absence, the council shall appoint a Moderator pro-tem, who shall open the council with devotional exercises.

4. The Clerk shall keep a Church book in which all the proceedings of the council shall be faithfully transcribed, and at every regular meeting the minutes of the preceding meeting shall be read immediately after the names are called.

5. An invitation shall be given to the Brethren of our faith and order to sit with us in council who shall enjoy all the privileges of the meeting except that of voting.

6. Every subject for the consideration of the council shall be introduced by a motion, which when seconded shall be debated and acted upon, unless withdrawn by the mover.

7. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator by the appelation of brother, and continue his remarks to the subject under debate, and shall not be allowed to speak more than twice on one subject, except by permission of the church.

8. No member shall withdraw from the council without permission from the Moderator.

9. It shall be required that in all matters of difference between members, before complaint is made to the Church, the aggrieved party shall have duly attended to the instruction of our Lord's Gospel recorded by St. Matthew, 11th chapter, 16th, 17th, and 18th verses, and public offenses or such as operate against the peace of the church shall be the subject of discipline.

10. All questions submitted to the council shall be decided by a majority of votes, except receiving members to fellowship; and any question may be reconsidered upon the motion of anyone who voted in the affirmative.

11. The Moderator shall propound all questions for vote—shall keep the speaker to the subject under debate—may express his own views, after others are done speaking, and see that these rules are faithfully observed.

12. These Rules of Decorum may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the whole church.

Resolved, That this council recommend the adoption of the foregoing Rules to all the Churches that comprise this body.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Enroll the delegates.
2. Introductory Sermon.
3. Appointment of Committees.
4. Reading Church Letters.
5. Call for Petitionary Letters.
6. Reception of Corresponding Delegates and Visitors.
7. The appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
8. Report of Standing Committees.
9. Report of Special Committees.
10. Report of Trustees of Ministers Relief Society.
11. Report of Treasurer.
12. Motions and Resolutions.
13. Miscellaneous Business.
14. Organization.
15. Adjournment.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Church Extension.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismiss'd by Letter.	Excommunicated.	Deceased.	Male Members	Female Members.	Total Members.	Amount sent to Association.	Value of Church Property.	S. S. Scholars.	Bible Readers.	S. S. Teachers.	Sundays Pastor Present.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	CHURCH CLERK.
Zion Temple	125 00	75 00	..	7	3	..	..	4	40	60	100	5 50	1000	30	30	3	52	J. H. Gray	J. H. Gray.
Harvest Union	96 00	75 00	8	3	1	..	..	1	70	95	165	2 00	1075	26	20	2	52	P. A. Eason	P. A. Eason.
John Chapel	100 00	50 00	6	1	..	..	..	..	9	21	30	3 00	1000	20	15	1	..	Richard Sanders	Ludia Sanders.
Baptist Union	.....	30 00	..	10	..	..	..	..	20	29	49	1 50	330	15	10	2	1	Edward Credle	Jessie Smith.
Bryant's Chapel	100 00	.....	..	..	2	..	..	..	17	21	38	1 00	200	30	20	2	11	.....	Bell Donnell.
Mount Zina	100 00	15 00	6	..	..	..	1	..	51	64	115	2 00	300	30	28	2	50	Charley Spencer	J. M. Stanley.
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Saint Lydia	65 25	.....	7	..	..	..	..	3	73	91	164	1 00	200	..	..	..	...	.....	A. C. Spencer.
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Snow Hill	120 00	75 00	10	1	..	2	9	..	21	35	56	4 50	1000	50	25	4	12	B. J. Brown	F. D. Lucas.
Star of Zion	25 80	1 50	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	10	12	....	.....	..	12	1	....	.....	.....
Mount Pilgrim	60 00	.....	5	..	..	..	..	2	40	29	69	3 50	400	80	20	2	12	C. E. Fonviele	Edom Gibbs.
Pleasant Grove	...	.....	10	..	..	..	..	3	56	31	87	2 00	800	24	15	1	12	Solomon Spencer	R. D. Boutton.
Richmond	150 00	.....	16	..	..	4	..	2	94	107	201	3 00	250	46	19	3	12	W. N. Blount	Wm. Green.
Job's Chapel	100 00	.....	1	4	1	..			33	32	65	2 00	460	20	20	3	12	HE. Greene	Charlie Brimage.
Saint Miller	96 00	75 00	..	..	2	..	16	..	14	35	49	4 90	376	40	14	3	12	Seth Brown	Wm. Crandall.
Weeping Rachel	20 00	10 00	..	..	..	..			6	24	30	1 50	50	25	5	2	12	Wm. Tooley	Wm. Tooley.

CHURCHES, CLERKS, DELEGATES AND PASTORS.

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Zion Temple	J. H. Gray	R. Howard, J. H. Gray	W L. O. Boomer, Scranton, N. C.
Harvest Union	P. A. Eason	Joseph Eason, George Campbell	S. Barrow, Scranton, N. C.
John Chapel	James Slade	R. B. H. Covil, Claude Satchell	S. L. Mann, Scranton, N. C.
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PROCEEDINGS.

In compliance with the laws, rules and regulations governing the Hyde County Eastern Missionary Baptist Association of North Carolina, we are thankful to our Heavenly Father for his lenience and protection over us during this Associational year, and have privileged us to meet with Jobs Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, at Swan Quarter, N. C., October 19th to 22nd, 1916, Rev. S. Barrow, pastor.

Members present—Rev. S. Barrow, President, Revs. H. J. Gibbs, W. B. Sanderson, Z. Barrow, S. L. Mann, Joseph Eason, Wm. Jarvis, Daniel Gibbs and others.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. B. Sanderson and Rev. H. J. Gibbs, by singing 1st Hymn No. 26, "Blest be the tie," etc., then reading a portion of 1st Cor. 13th chapter. Prayer by Rev. W. B. Sanderson. 2nd hymn No. 485, "I love thy Kingdom, Lord," led by the President. Then some loving remarks were made after which the Association was declared open for the transaction of business.

By order of the President that the ministers and delegates enroll their names. After which the several committees were chosen. (See committees.)

After which Rev. and Prof. Morrisey, of Plymouth, N. C., who attained a graduation at Livingston College, Salisbury, N. C., was introduced by the President. Then he came forward and made a loving, spiritual talk, which blended the Association in closer proximity, mentally, morally and spiritually, and was responded to by Rev. and Prof. W. H. A. Stallings, of Edenton, N. C. They are noted spokesmen and powerful in their ministerial deliberation.

Then the Committee on Hours made their report. (See report.)

Then a vote of thanks was tendered Rev. Morrisey and Rev. Stallings for their hearty deliberation.

Motion the above named ministers have a seat of welcome and free access to all privileges except that of voting.

Then a collection was taken by Rev. S. L. Mann to the amount of $2.25. Received from Ministers and delegates $17.75, total $20.00.

Adjourned to meet at 2:30 p. m.

Benediction by Rev. S. L. Mann.

FIRST DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association re-assembled at 2:30 with President S. Barrow presiding.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. R. Murray and

Rev. Ed. Covil, by lining 1st hymn No. 349, words "I am not ashamed," etc. Then reading a portion of 86th Psalm, and a soul stirring prayer by Rev. C. C. Gillette. After which, "In the Light, in the Light," was sung by Rev. Ed. Covil. Then a few brief remarks by the President. Then he declared the Association open for the transaction of business.

Motion and prevailed to hear the roll of ministers and delegates called. The same was done.

Motion to hear the proceedings of the previous session. The same was read, approved and adopted.

The next in order was the Introductory, by Rev. J. H. Houston, D. D. Rev. W. H. A. Stallings sang hymn No. 97, "Oh! for a heart," etc., and sang with deep spiritual feelings. After which he gave grace and toning inspiration for the outset of the expected sermon. Then Rev. Houston ascended the stand and took for a text Romans 8:13, 35, 38, 39. Rev. Houston left no furrows unturned in the explanation of his sermon, which was full of well selected words and very fittingly spoken, and how the holy fire was kindled in his deliberation. Then a soul-stirring prayer by Rev. W. H. A. Stallings. After which Rev. S. L. Mann sang, "I want to go to heaven when I die to shout salvation as I fly," and in the meantime the Dove of Peace and Happiness lit among us, and oh! how our hearts did leap for joy. Rev. Stallings gave vent and uprise to the above sermon to the highest degree of congratulation, and responded to by Rev. S. L. Mann, very fittingly.

And further responded to by Rev. R. A. Morrisey, a man full of preparedness and an able speaker.

By order of the President the Committee on Hours was requested to make its report, but was not ready at this hour.

Resolved by the President that Rev. R. A. Morrisey preach tonight.

Received from ministers and delegates $2.50 and from public collection $2.00. Total $4.50.

Benediction by Rev. R. A. Morrisey.

FIRST DAY—Night Session.

The Association met at 7:30 p. m., with President S. Barrow, presiding, and after some few brief remarks the Association was declared open for the transaction of business.

Motion to hear the roll of ministers and delegates. The same was pronounced and by order of the President the proceedings of the afternoon session be read. The same were read, received and adopted. Bro. Joseph Eason sang, "There is a name," etc. Then Rev. C. C. Gillette sang hymn No. 96, "There is a fountain," etc.

After which Rev. S. L. Mann read a portion of the 1st chapter of the 2nd Epistle of Paul to Timothy. Words: Paul, an apostle of God," etc. Then a soulstirring prayer by Rev. Mann.

Rev. C. C. Gillette sang, "I shall know him," etc. After which Rev. W. H. A. Stallings beautifully represented Rev. R. A. Morrisey, A. B., as the most venerable spokesman at this hour. Rev. Morrisey took the stand and chose for a text 2nd Epistle to Timothy 1:12. Subject: The Divine Trustee of the soul. The same was thoroughly explained and very powerfully delivered and a soul-stirring prayer by Rev. C. C. Gillette. And oh, how our souls did leap by reason of the presence of the Holy Spirit. After which Rev. S. L. Mann sang, "I am walking in the Light of God," etc. Then the President spoke graceful words in response to the above sermon.

A public collection was taken by Bro. E. Gray and his daughter Mrs. Mittie Barber, of Belhaven, N. C., to the amount of $3.55.

Benediction by the President.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

The Association met at 10 a. m., with President S. Barrow presiding.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. S. L. Mann and Rev. Z. Barrow, by lining 1st hymn No. 116, "There is a land," etc., sang with deep spiritual feelings, then reading a portion of 1st Ps. words, Blessed is the man, etc. And a soul stirring prayer by Rev. Benj. Burrus. After which, "Nearer my God," was spiritually led by Rev. S. L. Mann. After some few remarks by the President the Association was then declared open for the transaction of business.

Motion and prevailed that the roll of ministers and delegates be called. The same was done.

Motion and prevailed, that the proceedings of the 1st days night session be read. The same were read, received and adopted.

After which Mr. J. D. Davis, a distinguished white gentleman of Belhaven, N. C., was admitted to represent an open sale of general merchandise to suit the convenience of the general public and to Hyde county as well, and briefly responded to co-operatively, by Prof. R. A. Morrisey.

It was the earnest request of Mr. Davis that the President should call some one to prayer before his departure.

Rev. and Prof. W. H. A. Stallings was asked to unite in prayer, which was powerfully strong in his behalf. After which Rev. C. C. Gillette sang, "'Tis Heaven to know," etc., very timely and spiritually.

Brother Dallas Mackey was excused from the Association for one day on account of the urgent business at his home.

Motion and prevailed, that the afternoon session shall convene at 1:30 p. m., then the following committees were appointed:

Committee on Finance.

Committee on Revising the Constitution.

Committee on Temperance.

Committee on Resolutions.

After some miscellaneous discussion by the delegation, Rev. R. A. Morrisey spoke fitting words to obliterate the Spirit of difference which debars peace and prosperity from among our race. After which the President sang, "I love thy Kingdom, Lord." And thereafter made a good spiritual announcement, and the doors of the Association stood ajar for the reception of members. Rev. C. C. Gillette came forward.

Motion and prevailed, that Rev. Gillette be received in this Association as an ordained minister. The charges upon the Constitution was given by Rev. S. M. Spencer.

"Blest be the tie," was sung by Rev. S. L. Mann. And in the meantime the handshake of congratulations was given to Rev. Gillette by the Ministers and Delegates to the aggregate of three hundred.

Then the Association took adjournment.

Benediction by Rev. Stallins.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association re-assembled at 2:45 p. m., with Rev. S. Barrow presiding.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. R. Murray and Brother Amos Weston, by lining 1st hymn No. 48, "A charge to keep," etc. Sung with deep spiritual feeling, and reading a portion of Revelations 14th. Words, And I looked and lo, a Lamb stood,, etc., and a soul stirring prayer by Rev. Jones Spencer. 2nd hymn No. 86, "Must Jesus bear the Cross," etc, sang with deep, spiritual feelings and a few words of congratulations by the President.

After which the Association was declared open for the transaction of business.

First in order was the Missionary sermon to be delivered by Rev. W. H. A. Stallings, D.D. Then he ascended the stand and chose for a text Hebrews 12:26, 27. Subject. Some things that will stand forever. 1st. From the beginning of the world to this day, mutability has been inscribed on all things beneath the sun. 2nd. Some things which cannot be shaken: (1.) the purpose of God will never be shaken, (2) the reason of God's moral government, or the laws of His kingdom will never be shaken or changed, (3rd) the foundation of the

Church of Christ can never be changed. The same were logically and powerfully explained. After which a soul stirring prayer by Rev. S. M. Spencer. Then "Bye-and-bye" was sung by Rev. C. C. Gillette with deep spiritual feelings, and Oh! how our hearts leaped for joy at the preaching and the singing, and at the close of this meeting was the hour in which Rev. Stallings was to take leave from this Association on his way to Belhaven, N. C., and a compensation was given him as a deed of charity to the amount of $5.20.

Rev. C. C. Gillette presented to President S. Barrow $5.05 as a Christian brotherly act of charity from personal donations to him.

The Association then took adjournment until 7:30 p. m.

Benediction by Rev. S. L. Mann.

SECOND DAY—Night Session.

The Association re-assembled at 7:30 p. m., with President S. Barrow presiding.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. H. J. Gibbs and Bro. Wm. Jarvis.

Motion and prevailed that the roll of ministers and delegates be called. The same was done.

Motion and prevailed to hear the reading of the minutes of the afternoon session. The same were read, received and adopted.

After which Rev. S. L. Mann sang hymn No. 86, "There is a fountain," etc., sung with deep spiritual feelings.

Then Rev. Mann introduced Rev. C. C. Gillette to break the bread of life to this honorable body. Rev. Gillette took the stand and sang one of his most beautiful and loving songs, which made the anxious hearers happy in the outside. After which he chose for a text Ezekiel 18:4. Words: Behold all souls are mine. The sermon was one well fit for the occasion. Loudly explained and very powerfully delivered; and a soul stirring prayer by Rev. R. Selby. "You are going to reap in the harvest what you sow," was sung by Bro. Charley Spencer.

Then a public collection was taken by Rev. L. Gibbs to the amount of $10.02.

At the close of this meeting was the hour for Rev. C. C. Gillette to take leave from this Association for Sladesville, N. C., enroute to Belhaven, N. C., and the Association gave him $4.20 to help him to carry the gospel elsewhere.

Then adjournment. Benediction by Rev. S. M. Spencer.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

The Association met promptly at 10 a. m., with Rev. S. Barrow presiding.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. Eddie Covil and Bro. Amos Weston, by lining first hymn No. 642, "On Jordan's stormy banks," etc., and reading a portion of St. John 3rd: Words, There was a man of the Pharisees," etc., and a soul stirring prayer by Bro. Eddie Covil.

After some few remarks by the President the Association was then declared open for the transaction of business.

Motion and prevailed, to hear the roll call of ministers and delegates. The same was done.

Motioned and prevailed to hear the minutes of the 2nd day's night session read. The same were read, receivd and adopted.

The door of the Association standing ajar Rev. L. C. Blackwell, an ordained minister of the gospel came forward and was received unanimously. Charges of the Baptist Church discipline were given by Rev. S. M. Spencer, and a copious shower of the Holy Spirit descended upon us when grace and truth shook hands, regarding Rev. S. M. Spencer and Rev. S. Barrow in their spiritual differences.

After which the Association took an adjournment until 1:30 p. m.

Benediction by Rev. S. M. Spencer.

THIRD DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association convened at 1:30 p. m., with Rev. S. Barrow presiding.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. R. Murray and Rev. Luther Gibbs, by lining 1st hymn No. 304, "Father, I stretch my hands," etc. Sung with deep spiritual feelings. Then reading a portion of the 15th chapter of 1st Corinthians 1st verse. Words. Moreover, Brethren, I declare unto you the gospel, etc. And after which a soul stirring prayer by Bro. S. J. Jones. Second hymn No. 276, "Did Christ over sinners," etc. The same was sung with the spirit and with power.

After a good spiritual talk by the President the Association was then declared open for the transaction of business.

Motion and prevailed to hear the roll call of ministers and delegates. The same was done.

Motion and prevailed to hear the reading of the minutes of the previous session. The same were read, received and adopted.

Motion and prevailed to hear the report of the Committee on Obituary. (See report.)

Motion and prevailed that if any officer of this Association being found under the influence of any stimulant, such as wine or whiskey, during any of its sessions, shall be punished by dismission during the term of the Association or render a satisfactory excuse thereto.

Motion and prevailed to hear the report of the committee on place of meeting. (See report.)

Motion and prevailed that we go in nomination for election of officers and they were elected as follows:

Rev. S. Barrow, President.

Rev. W. L. O. Boomer, Vice-President.

Bro. James Mackey, Secretary.

Bro. P. A. Eason, Assistant Secretary.

Bro. S. L. Gray, Institute Treasurer.

Bro. Elijah Gray, Associational Treasurer.

Motion and prevailed to hear the report of the Auditor of the Association. (See report.) .

Motion and prevailed, that the report of the Missionary be received with a vote of thanks and a compensation of $1.00.

Motion and prevailed to hear the report of the co-operative committee on Sales as to the purchase of the Sunday School Union property by the E. M. B. Association on or before the next sitting of the aforesaid Association at Slocumb in October, 1917.

The Association then took adjournment until 7:30 p. m.

Benediction by Rev. J. H. Houston.

THIRD DAY—Night Session.

The Association met at 7:30 p. m., with Rev. S. Barrow presiding.

The session was opened by singing, "I heard the voice," etc., which was sung with deep spiritual feelings.

Then read a portion of St. Matthew 25:1. Words: Then shall the kingdom, etc., and a soul-stirring prayer by Rev. Moran Alexander.

Then some remarks of representation by Rev. S. L. Mann to Brother Eddie Covil, a young beginner in the ministry, of Belhaven, N. C., who will break the bread of life at this hour. After which the young Reverend took the stand, singing, "In the Light, in the Light," He then chose for a text Luke 14:27. Words: Peace I leave with you, etc. The young Rev. Covil spoke very surprisingly he being a young son in the ministry. His hearers were made glad and many souls rejoiced at his preaching. And a soulstirring prayer by Bro. Amos Weston. "I've made a covenant with my Lord," was spiritually sung by Sister Vicy A. Ross. And oh how the people were spiritually lifted. After which a public collection was taken by Rev. L. C. Blackwell to the amount of $5.80.

And at this hour the honored and distinguished Rev. H. Jenkins came in our midst and was given a pleasant seat of welcome in this Association.

After which the Association took adjournment.

Benediction by the President.

FOURTH DAY—Morning Session.

Sunday School at 9 a. m. Lesson 4th. Subject: Paul's defence before Agrippa. The same was strongly and very beautifully illustrated by Rev. J. H. Houston, D.D. And at its conclusion a collection of $2.33 was taken. After which a public collection was taken by Brother Edward Donnell to the amount of $10.50.

Then the hour for the Educational sermon by Rev. S. L. Mann. First hymn No. 86, "I want to be thy child," sang with deep spiritual feelings and reading a portion of Hebrews 11:1. Words: Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, etc. And a soul stirring prayer by Rev. C. L. Blackwell. After which Rev. S. L. Mann was introduced by the President to preach the Educational sermon. Rev. Mann arose singing, "What are you going to do when the world is on fire." He then chose for a text 2nd Chronicles 7:9. Subject: Christian Education. Jesus, please don't leave us alone. The same was loudly explained and very powerfully delivered, and a stirring prayer by Rev. Jessie Spencer.

After which the Association took adjournment.

Benediction by the President.

FOURTH DAY—Afternoon Session.

2:30 p. m. was the hour for the eulogistic services by Rev. Samuel Adams and Rev. Jacob Blount. The two above named deseased Reverends lived to see a golden age in this life, each above 80 years. The same were eulogized by Revs. S. L. Mann, Z. Barrow, Jessie Spencer, H. Jenkins, and S. M. Spencer, by singing 1st hymn No. 86, "Oh! for a heart to praise," etc., then read a portion of the 15th chapter of the 1st Corinthians. Words: Moreover brethren, etc. Then a soul-stirring prayer by Rev. Benj. Burrus. After which Rev. H. Jenkins arose and chose for a text 1st Corinthians 15:55. Words: Oh Death! where is thy sting, etc. Rev. Jenkins brought up a flame of hallowed fire in his 10 minutes discourse in the funeral services. Rev. Z. Barrow was equally as forceful in his deliberations as the first speaker.

Rev. Jessie Spencer made some strong impressions in the funeral services.

Rev. S. L. Mann makes faithful promises to meet them as the two

deceased brethren have crossed over and are safely singing, "In that City," etc.

Rev. S. M. Spencer co-operated fully with the above speakers very powerfully. Thus concludes the eulogistic services.

With hopes to meet with Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church, Lake Landing, N. C., on Thursday before the 4th Lord's day in October, 1917.

REV. S. BARROW, *President.*

JAMES MACKEY, *Secretary.*

NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO PAID $1.00 EACH.

Revs. S. Barrow, W. L. O. Boomer, Miles Bougs, S. L. Mann, George W. Jennett, Z. Barrow, W. B. Saunderson, J. H. Houston, Luther Gibbs, J. R. Murray, Benjamin Burross, E. J. Spencer, J. W. Mason, R. Selby, S. M. Spencer, W. J. Gibbs, C. C. Gillette, Moran Alexander, W. C. Jennett.

ROLL OF LICENTIATES WHO PAID 75 CENTS EACH.

Brothers H. J. Gibbs, William E. Covil, A. M. Weston, Z. Fortiscue.

ROLL OF DELEGATES WHO PAID 25 CENTS EACH.

Joseph Eason, L. D. Dunbar, E. Gray, J. B. Green, T. S. Spencer, Dallas Mackey, H. J. Gibbs, S. J. Jones, Daniel Gibbs, A. S. Peterson, George Campbell, E. H. Green, William Jarvis, S. McCloud, Charley Spencer, Seth Simmons, I. S. Blount, J. H. Gray, Dimsey Credle, C. Clark, R. B. H. Covil, James Boyde, Washington Johnson, S. T. Howard, J. W. Gibbs, Lathan Spencer, John Gibbs.

COMMITTEES.

On Hours—Bros. Wm. E. Covil, A. S. Peterson, Charlie Spencer.

On Finance—Bros. E. Gray, L. D. Dunbar, J. H. Gray, George Campbell, T. S. Spencer, A. S. Peterson, Charlie Spencer, C. Clark, R. B. H. Covil.

On Revising the Constitution—Revs. J. H. Houston, S. L. Mann, Miles Bougs, J. W. Mason, Geo. W. Jennette, S. M. Spencer.

On Obituary—Revs. S. L. Mann, Z. Barrow, S. M. Spencer, R. Selby, Luther Gibbs, Moran Alexander.

On Place of Meeting—Bros. S. J. Jones, L. D. Dunbar, Wash. Johnson, Jimmie Gibbs, Seth Simmons, R. B. H. Covil, Daniel Gibbs, A. S. Peterson, George Campbell, C. Clark, Charlie Spencer, J. H. Gray, T. S. Spencer, S. M. McCloud, E. H. Green, J. B. Green, John Gibbs.

On State and Condition of the Country—L. C. Blackwell, J. H. Houston, S. M. McCloud, James Boyde, Z. Fortiscue.

On Ordination—Revs. S. M. Spencer, J. H. Houston, Z. Barrow, J. W. Mason, Miles Bougs, George W. Jennette, S. L. Mann.

To the Moderator and Brethren of the Hyde County Eastern Missionary Baptist Association:

In thinking over what would better the condition and help the Missionary Baptist Churches of Hyde County we should stand together regarding the following suggestions:

We need the presence of the ministers who preside over any church or churches to be present twice per month and let him preside over two churches instead of four and let them pay him the same money as if he has four, and

thereby give some vacant minister a chance in the field; whereas we now pay 25 cents we will then pay 50 cents.

Brethren, that is why our people don't stand together any better, but if we would give all of the preachers something to do possibly the wheel would revolve easier. We have so many laborers idle, and can't get anything to do until they are spiritually weak. The way to strengthen them and help the Missionary cause is to give all of the laborers something to do.

Brethren, let us agree and look forward for the betterment of the souls of mankind, and not so much for the money. Let us take the field by prayer and honest living.

Submitted by Bro. J. B. Green, the appelle.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND AUDITOR.

We, your Executive Committee and Auditor, beg leave to make the following report: That after a careful and impartial examination of the Associational Treasurer, of all orders, books and receipts in his possession we find $70.08, less $50.60, with a remainder of $19.48 from the Associational year of 1915. We therefore deposit in his hands $46.15 from the 1916 session, making a total of $65.63 at present. Respectfully submitted,

REV. Z. BARROW, Chairman.
J. H. GRAY, Auditor.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

We, your humble committee, beg leave to make the following report: That after a careful and partial investigation of different applications from the churches, we finally decided that our next annual sitting will be with Mount Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church on Thursday before the fourth Lords day in October, 1917. Respectfully submitted,

S. J. JONES, Chairman,
J. H. GRAY, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVISING THE CONSTITUTION.

We, your Committee, beg to report as follows: We recommend that Article 4th to read for the benefit of the Association only.

Article 13 to read and Doctrinal Sermon. Respectfully submitted,

REV. S. M. SPENCER, Chmn.,
REV. J. H. HOUSTON, Secy.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOURS.

We, your Committee, beg to report as follows: That each morning session shall convene at 10 a. m., adjourn at 12 noon, and convene at 2 p. m., and adjourn at 4 p. m., and convene again at 7:30 and adjourn at will.

EDDIE COVIL, Chairman.
A. S. PETERSON, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

We, your Committee, beg leave to make the following report:

Whereas, no race can go higher than the virtue of the woman; therefore, we respect our women as high as any other race, that we may be recognized among other civilized nations of the world. Respectfully submitted,

BRO. JONES SPENCER, Chmn.
BRO. E. D. COVIL, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee, beg leave to make the following report: That all ministers and delegates shall make a total abstinence from intoxicating drinks, for we think it is abomination to Christianity; and we resolve, that

if any delegate or preacher be found tolerating in the same during the session they shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of 25 cents and more if in the judgment of this committee see fit; and further resolve, That each pastor shall preach one Temperance Sermon in his church during this Associational year. Respectfully submitted,

H. J. GIBBS, Chairman.
S. J. JONES, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY.

We, your committee beg leave to make the following report: We have looked over the field and find that two links of Ministerial chain have been broken by death, in the persons of the late Rev. Samuel Adams and Rev. Jacob Blount; and resolve, that the eulogistic services shall be rendered by the following ministers: Revs. S. L. Mann, Z. Barrow, S. M. Spencer, H. Jenkins, Jessie Spencer. Respectfully submitted,

REV. S. M. SPENCER, Chmn.
REV. S. L. MANN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CO-OPERATION.

We, your Committee, beg leave to confer with the trustee board of the Sunday School Union of Hyde County in regards to transacting business together, said Union agrees to sell and confer title and claims to the Hyde County Eastern Missionary Baptist Association on reasonable terms.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. J. H. HOUSTON,
REV Z. BARROW,
REV. LUTHER GIBBS,
REV. MILES BOUGS,
BRO. J. B. GREEN,
BRO. S. L. GRAY,
BRO. JAMES MACKEY,
REV. S. M. SPENCER.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE AND CONDITION OF COUNTRY.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report as follows:

Whereas, we have been so wonderfully blessed this year by Almighty God with such success, and blessed with such good crops, and being marketed at such good prices, and while the West and South are destroyed by floods and great wars over the sea, and are causing starvation and so many of our race are slaughtered by lynching which jars our hearts; therefore, we ask our whole race to go to God in prayer to end these troubles. While we thank God for our prosperity. Respectfully submitted,

REV. L. C. BLACKWELL, Chmn.
REV. J. H. HOUSTON, Secretary.

MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Revs. Z. Barrow, J. W. Mason, Miles Bougs, Luther Gibbs, R. Selby, J. H. Houston, S. M. Spencer, J. R. Murray, John Gibbs.

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that the Trustees of the property belonging to the Hyde County Sunday School Union at Swanquarter N. C., that is to say the High School House and land thereat, which is worth a $1500.00 valuation, and the Trustees of said property are as follows: Pink F. Credle, Chairman, James Mackey, Secretary, J. B. Green, J. E. Donnall and Rev. Z. Barrow.

CONSTITUTION OF THE HYDE COUNTY EASTERN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article 1. This Association shall be denominated and known as the Hyde County Eastern Missionary Baptist Association. Officers to be elected on the last day of the session.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, Ministerial Education and the uplift of our young people in general; and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of ministers and delegates chosen by the Churches connected with it, each Church being entitled to two delegates. The Elders shall pay $1.00; Licentiates 75 cents, and Delegates, Deacons, Trustees and Secretary of churches 25 cents annually, when their names are enrolled, the money to be used for the benefit of the Institute only, and that any delegates or ministers being absent when the roll is called they shall pay a fine of 10 cents, without a lawful excuse. There shall be nine Trustees appointed with the Moderator who shall make their annual report of the financial condition of the Institute. Each Sabbath school will send a collection to the Association for the Institution.

Art. 4. The Delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment, and communicating information relative to the state of the church. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter stating the condition of the church, also number of members that have been excommunicated, number that have been received by letter, number that have been baptized, number deceased, number dismissed by letter, number of male and number of female members, total number of membership, and amount sent to the Association. The Pastor shall see that 10 cents is collected from each member and sent to the Association, for the benefit of the same, only.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a President and Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Station History, Treasurer and Auditor, Executive Board, Trustee Board and Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen from among its members by ballot or acclamation, a majority of the members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected. All officers of this Association shall be responsible to this Association for their conduct and shall report annually to this body. The duty of all the officers of the Association shall be prescribed by the Association in its constitution.

Art. 6. It shall be the duty of the President to enforce an observance of the constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on any question under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie. He shall be ex-officio chairman of all the boards. The duty of the President shall be performed by the Vice-President in the absence of the President. The Vice-President shall assist the President in presiding.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to record the proceedings of each annual session, and to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes, to receive and take account of all monies sent up by the churches at the Association, turning over the same to the Treasurer. All monies received by the Secretary shall be turned over to the Treasurer of that fund for which it is designated. He shall report to the Association at its annual session the business he transacted in the absence of the body.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent by the churches or collected during the session of this body, and disburse the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the Treasury, and he shall give a bond of security of the same.

Art. 9. This Association shall appoint an Executive Committee consisting of not less than 7 nor more than 9 members; which committee shall have the

superintendence of Association missions and colportage. They shall have power to disburse all sums paid by the Treasurer of the Association for the objects under their charge and during intervals between the meeting of this body to receive and disburse funds for those objects and to take such steps for their advancement as they shall deem advisable, and shall make an annual report to the Association of their doings. They shall have power to take up all grievances of the churches and pastors comprising this Association, and call them to trial, and give them a fair and scriptural trial, and if they fail to hear the advice of the Executive Committee then they shall pass their judgment upon them or they may withdraw right hand of fellowship from them and refer their charge to the Association. The expense of the Executive Committee in taking up grievances of the churches and pastor shall be paid by the parties concerned as far as possible and shall not be borne by the Association General Funds, unless in the opinion of the body, the matter was of general interest to the Association.

Art. 10. This Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of her churches which neglect to preserve Gospel order, and if any church patronize with the said churches that are out of Gospel order this Association shall call them to trial, and if they fail to hear to the Association this Association shall deal with them according to the 18h chaper of St. Matthew.

Art. 11. This Association may invite visitors and corresponding brethren to seats, and extend to them all the privileges of the Association except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Thursday before the 4th Lord's day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of this Association there shall be an Introductory sermon, a Temperance sermon, an Educational and Doctrinal sermon. The Introductory sermon shall be preached the first day at 10 o'clock a. m., before organizing.

Art. 14. This Association shall not fellowship any church or pastor that shall receive lawfully excommunicated members from any church of the same faith and order, and the pastor of said church that compose this Association shall give a letter of dismission to any members of their church or churches, to unite with any other church of the same faith and order.

Art. 15. This Association shall endorse three modes of dismission. 1st. By Letter. A member may receive a letter of commendation or dismission from the church of which he or she is a member, and with the same unite with any other church of the same faith and order, and when so united he or she is no longer a member of the former church. 2nd, by exclusion. When the church in the exercise of its lawful discipline withdraws the hand of fellowship from any one of its members, he or she is thenceforth no longer a member, and no church or pastor of this Association shall receive them. 3rd, by death. The death of a member of course dissolves their connection here on earth.

Art. 16. This Association recommends to her churches that the churches that this Association is composed of shall not from this date henceforth elect or ordain any brother to deaconship that cannot read the Scriptures distinctly. No church and pastor shall license or ordain any brother for the ministry of the gospel except he read the Scriptures distinctly.

Art. 17. The Executive Committee shall have no power whatever of the Trustee Board and shall not in any way interfere with it in the discharge of its duty, nor any other general officer of the Association.

Art. 18. Any church or churches who have been granted a letter or letters or petition, to join another or organize another Association, and when that has been done such a church or churches are entirely out from under the jurisdiction or watch care of this Association, and before they can have any voice in this Association again they must bring a petition or letters of recommendation from the Association they joined to this Association to join as though they had never been members of this Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. On the meeting of the Association the President of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is made known. In case of his absence the Vice-President fills the seat.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

3. At each daily session the proceedings of the business session shall be read, and the names of the delegates shall be called; and no person speaking shall be interrupted until he is done speaking, unless he is out of order.

4. The members shall observe towards the officers and each other that courtesy that becomes Christians, and the person speaking shall in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before him, but shall express his idea.

5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the President. He shall confine himself strictly to the subject under debate and avoid all personalities.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission from the President.

7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the President before discussion, and no brother shall be at liberty to whisper during the time another brother is speaking.

8. No motion shall be withdrawn after its discussion. The President shall not interrupt any member or prohibit his speaking until he gives his idea on the subject, unless he violates the rules of the Association.

9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn to lay on the table, to amend or postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.

10. After a motion is decided, any member having voted in the majority, may move for a reconsideration.

11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the President, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission from the Association. If anyone shall do so, their absence shall be noted in the minutes.

12. All questions except such as relate to the constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.

13. This Association shall have the right to decide what subject shall be admitted to its consideration.

14. These Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority of votes.

RULES OF DECORUM FOR THE CHURCHES.

1. We will hold four council meetings in the year for the transaction of business; also special meetings whenever requisite.
2. The names of members shall be called at every regular meeting, and there shall be due notice taken of the absence of those who evince a disposition to absent themselves.
3. At every council, the Pastor, in his right of office shall preside as Moderator, and in case of his absence, the council shall appoint a Moderator protem, who shall open the council with devotional exercises.
4. The Clerk shall keep a Church book in which all the proceedings of the council shall be faithfully transcribed, and at every regular meeting the minutes of the preceding meeting shall be read immediately after the names are called.
5. An invitation shall be given to the Brethren of our faith and order to sit with us in council who shall enjoy all the privileges of the meeting except that of voting.
6. Every subject for the consideration of the council shall be introduced by a motion, which when seconded shall be debated and acted upon, unless withdrawn by the mover.
7. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother, and continue his remarks to the subject under debate, and shall not be allowed to speak more than twice on one subject, except by permission of the church.
8. No member shall withdraw from the council without permission from the Moderator.
9. It shall be required that in all matters of difference between members, before complaint is made to the Church, the aggrieved party shall have duly attended to the instruction of our Lord's Gospel recorded by St. Matthew, 11th chapter, 16th, 17th and 18th verses, and public offenses or such as operate against the peace of the church shall be the subject of discipline.
10. All question submitted to the council shall be decided by a majority of votes, except receiving members to fellowship; and any question may be reconsidered upon the motion of anyone who voted in the affirmative.
11. The Moderator shall propound all questions for vote—shall keep the speaker to the subject under debate—may express his own views, after others are done speaking, and see that these rules are faithfully observed.
12. These Rules of Decorum may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the whole church.

Resolved, That this council recommend the adoption of the foregoing Rules to all the Churches that comprise this body.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Enroll the delegates.
2. Introductory Sermon.
3. Appointment of Committees.
4. Reading Church Letters.
5. Call for Petitionary Letters.
6. Reception of Corresponding Delegates and Visitors.
7. The appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
8. Report of Standing Committees.
9. Report of Special Committees.
10. Report of Trustees of Ministers Relief Society.
11. Report of Treasurer.
12. Motions and Resolutions.
13. Miscellaneous Business.
14. Organization.
15. Adjournment.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches and Superintendents.	Sunday School Scholars.	Bible readers.	Sunday School Teachers.	Sundays Pastor present.	Money from Sunday School.	Home Missions.
Zion Temple—J. H. Gray	30	25	3	12	$.....	$.....
Harvest Union—C. C. Dillahunt	34	26	3	12	.....	.....
Johns Chapel—S. M. Sanders	15	10	2	12	.....	.....
Mahalees Chapel—H. Barrow	30	20	3	12	.50	.....
Jobe Chapel—H. E. Green	18	15	3	12	.....	.....
Mount Zina—Charlie Spencer	36	25	2	12	.....	.....
Bryants Chapel—J. E. Donnall	30	16	3	12	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove—	....	....	....	12	.....	.....
Mount Pilgrim—P. J. Jones	25	20	3	12	.25	.....
Faithful Hannah—S. S. Spencer	50	50	2	12	1.00	.....
Weeping Rachel—William Tooley	20	15	1	....	.70	.....
Saint Reddick—William Covil	78	10	4	12	1.25	2.00
Richmond—A. Selby	40	20	4	12	.....	.....
Saint Miller—	....	14	....	11	.....	.....
Snow Hill—S. Gibbs	60	40	2	12	.....	.....
Snow Hill—J. W. Lucas	30	24	4	12	1.70	.....
Baptist Union—Edward Credle	15	7	....	12	.....	.....

STATISTICAL TABLT.

urches, Pastors and Post Office Addresses.	Clerks.	Delegates.	Baptized.	Rec. by letter.	Restored.	Dis, by letter.	Deceased.	Male members.	Female Members.	Total Membership.	Pastor's salary.	Church Extension.	Amount sent Association.	Value of Property.
ı Temple—W. L. O. Boomer, Scranton.....	J. H. Gray.....	Dallas Mackey and J. H. Gray	3	7	2	..	1	50	30	80	$125.00	$50.00	$ 8.00	$ 1000
vest Union—C. C. Gillett, Scranton.....	P. A. Eason.....	Geo. Campbell and Jos. Eason	8	..	..	..	..	38	52	90	120.00	150.00	3.00	1500
ns Chapel—S. L. Mann, Scranton.....	James Slade	R. H. B. Covil and Jas. Boyd	5	1	1	..	1	15	26	41	100.00	.....	4.10	1000
alees Chapel—Dinse Credle, Scranton.....	Matthew Barrow.	D. Credle.	..	2	..	..	..	3	6	9	25.00	.....	1.00	100
e Chapel—S. Barrow, Swan Quarter.....	C. H. Brimage...	I. S. Blount and J. B. Green	..	..	..	..	..	35	33	68	100.00	50.00	2.00	1000
nt Zina—W. L. O. Boomer, Lake Landing..	J. M. Stanley....	Charlie Spencer	6	..	2	..	..	65	58	123	160.00	25.00	2.00	300
ants Chapel—S. L. Mann, Swan Quarter....	Hattie E. Donnell	Seth Simmons	..	4	..	..	..	11	28	49	120.00	75.00	4.00	200
sant Grove—S. Barrow, Middleton.....	R. D. Booten.....	S. T. Howard and J. W. Gibbs	5	..	..	..	2	40	29	69	125.00	.....	2.00	400
nt Pilgrim—Z. Barrow, Lake Landing.....	Edom Gibbs	John Gibbs	..	..	..	..	..	47	52	99	108.00	.....	4.50	500
hful Hannah—S. M. Spencer, Middleton....	C. C. Gibbs.....	H. J. Gibbs and Daniel Gibbs	12	..	..	..	1	50	75	125	80.00	10.00	2.00	500
eping Rachel—J. R. Murray, Scranton.....	William Tooley..	J. R. Murray.....	..	..	..	2	1	6	6	12	35.00	1.50	1.20	150
nt Riddick—W. L. O. Boomer, Belhaven....	L. D. Dunbar....	L. D. Dunbar and E. Gray....	10	8	2	..	2	50	75	125	150.00	8.00	12.25	1000
mond—S. M. Spencer, Wysocking.....	Fred Green	E. H. Green.....	4	..	..	..	3	80	100	180	1.08	.....	2.00	250
nt Miller—Z. Barrow, Belhaven.....	William Crandall.	Castillia Clark	..	..	4	..	..	9	26	35	96.00	8.45	3.50	393
w Hill—S. M. Spencer, Fairfield.....	John Omon	S. McCloud	..	5	..	2	2	65	100	165	100.00	.....	1.50	300
w Hill—J. J. Armstrong, Belhaven.....	F. D. Lucas.....	S. J. Jones.....	..	..	..	2	1	18	32	40	125.00	75.00	5.70	150
tist Union—S. M. Spencer, Scranton.....	Jessie Smith	Wm. Jarvis and W. Johnson	14	..	..	..	1	27	32	59	96.00	.....	1.00	150

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